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Montreal, 1st August, 1856.

Reverend Sir,

I am instructed to send you herewith printed copy of a Protest served on the Clergy Reserves' Commissioners, by the Ministers whose names are therein mentioned, accompanied with certain marginal remarks, for the accuracy of which the Board pledges itself, and is ready to produce for your examination the whole of the Minutes, from the beginning of its operations, up to the present time

The Protesters have followed up this proceeding by bringing their claims before the Law Officers of the Crown, and the Commissioners have in like manner prepared and submitted their case. The result may not be known for some time, and until it is known, the advice of the Synod relative to the transfer of the sum in hand to the Commutation Fund Committee cannot be complied with.

I am,

Your obdt. servt.,

HUGH ALLAN,

Secretary Clergy Reserve Commissioners.